

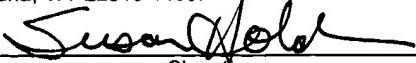


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IN RE APPLICATION OF
BOEGER, ET AL.
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FOR: CARBOXYLIC ACID DERIVATIVES

ART UNIT: 1621
EXAMINER: KUMAR, SHAILENDRA
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of March 24, 2004, has a shortened statutory time set to expire on June 24, 2004. A two-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

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